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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: THANK YOU LETTER FROM SECRETARY RICHARDSON

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF LETTER FROM SECRETARY  
RICHARDSON TO DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SZEKER. (ORIGINAL  
LETTER IS BEING POUCHED TO EMBASSY FOR DELIVERY TO  
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER.)

2. QUOTE: DEAR DR. SZEKER:

YOU HAVE MY WARM APPRECIATION FOR MAKING MY VISIT TO  
BUDAPEST SO ENJOYABLE AND PRODUCTIVE. AS A RESULT  
OF MY MEETINGS WITH YOU, PRIME MINISTER LAZAR, MINISTER  
BIRO, MINISTER PUJA, AND OTHERS, I HAVE A MUCH MORE  
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THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF THE HUNGARIAN ECONOMY AND  
A DEEPER AWARENESS OF THE ISSUES OUR TWO COUNTRIES FACE  
IN THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF OUR RELATIONS.

I PARTICULARLY WELCOMED THE CONTINUATION OF THE VERY CANDID  
AND FRUITFUL DISCUSSIONS WE BEGAN LAST MAY DURING YOUR  
VISIT HERE. IT WAS GOOD FOR US TO HAVE CONCENTRATED OUR

LAST HOUR TOGETHER ON THE MATTER OF NONDISCRIMINATORY  
TARIFF TREATMENT AND ON THE CROWN OF ST. STEPHEN.

SHORTLY AFTER MY RETURN TO WASHINGTON, I MET WITH PRESIDENT  
FORD AND REPORTED TO HIM ON MY VISIT AND ON OUR DISCUSSIONS  
CONCERNING THE CROWN OF ST. STEPHEN. I PRESENTED TO HIM  
THE FULL FORCE OF CONCERN EXPRESSED TO ME BY YOU AND OTHERS  
IN THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT YOUR  
VIEWS WILL BE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION.

MRS. RICHARDSON JOINS ME IN THANKING YOU FOR YOUR GRACIOUS  
HOSPITALITY DURING OUR STAY. I HOPE THAT I WILL HAVE THE  
OPPORTUNITY IN THE FUTURE TO RECIPROCATATE YOUR KINDNESS.

WITH WARM REGARD,

SINCERELY, SIGNED ELLIOT L. RICHARDSON. END QUOTE

PLEASE TRANSMIT TO DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER THROUGH  
APPROPRIATE CHANNELS THE TEXT OF THE LETTER WITH ASSUR-  
ANCES ORIGINAL TO FOLLOW PROMPTLY.  
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